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The Church of God Evangel

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CLEVELAND, TENN.

GOD IS LOVE

THE PILLAR

THE TRUTH

TRUTH

Laura Adrene Sanders

If angels in heaven were called on to sing
In presence of mortals, the serf or the king;
I'm sure that this theme of their gold harps would
ring,
"Truth, the Beginning of Every Good Thing."

The LOVE of the Truth is the principal part,
The chief Corner Stone of every brave heart;
Seed-plot of all virtues, the great and the small,
The manifestation of noble men's call.

The QUEST of the Truth is the honest desire
For which all the great in ambition aspire,
No Pilate can stand in the Hall of the Just,
Truth tries not her Master; accept Him she must.

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June 8, 1940

"THY WORD IS TRUTH."—*John 17:17.*

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NOTICES
From the Field

The New Mexico state camp meeting and convention will begin July 6, the state convention July 12-14. The location is Carlsbad, N. Mex., two blocks east of the Church of God which is located at 403 Alemeda St. We are expecting Brother R. P. Johnson, our Assistant General Overseer, Brother H. N. Scoggins, overseer of Texas, Brother Benge, overseer of California, and Brother Wood, overseer of Oklahoma. We are looking forward to a great time in the Lord.—H. E. Ramsey, overseer of New Mexico and Colorado.

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The Michigan and Central Canada camp meeting and state convention will convene June 22-30, 1940, at Lake Odessa, Michigan. Rev. R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, will be the principal speaker for the night services and on other special occasions through the camp meeting and the state convention. The state convention will be June 27-30. Saints in Michigan and elsewhere, let us pray that God will give us the greatest spread of spiritual food in this convention that we have ever enjoyed.

We are expecting visiting ministers from other states to be with us and speak for us in this great camp meeting. We are also looking for visitors from as far south as Florida and a group of the North Carolina ministers and possibly the state overseer, the overseer of Indiana, and we hope many others. We have had letters from some stating they would like to be with us and we will certainly like to have you present. Start making arrangements to attend your first camp meeting in the good old state of Michigan.

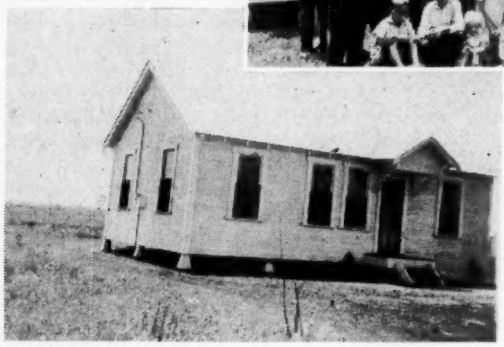
We have made arrangements to furnish your entertainment right on the camp ground and places near by. Those wishing information about rooms in the dormitories or cottages may write to Sister Ruth E. Justin, 230 W. Main St., Grand Ledge, Mich.

We especially insist that every member in Michigan and Central Canada visit this, your convention, and get the soul food that our heavenly Father has in store. While it is true that nations everywhere are mobolizing for their great battles, then we, the Christian nation, should be first in the preparation for our great battle. You that have attended these conventions and camp meetings know that this is a charging filling station where we take on more zeal and strength and determination to fight harder, to be more courageous, and to be a good soldier of the cross for Christ our Savior. May He find us faithful when He comes to make up His jewels.

Now Michigan and Central Canada folks, we have had a good year this far and let us be thankful and crown it with a good attendance at the camp meeting and convention of Michigan and Central Canada. We are expecting to have some special singers with us to fill the spring air with heavenly melodies of Spirit-filled songs.

You all have a special invitation to be with us and help us ring the shouts of victory. So come be with us. — E. O. Kerce, overseer of Michigan and Central Canada.

SPIRITUAL BLITZ AT PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS



Brother Wm. R. Fowler was sent here to Port Arthur, Tex., last fall to take charge of a little church that had been organized here. Brother Fowler rented a house to live in and moved the 11th of November. We didn't have any property or place to worship, only a few women and one young man as members. I didn't know just how we were to make it—house rent high, property and material to build with high, but Brother Fowler went to work. We had services in the homes. He got some of the men who were not members to help. Brother Fowler purchased the lots to build a church and parsonage for a little less than one thousand dollars. Then he went to work to build. The men helped when they were not on their jobs. Now we have a nice six-room parsonage with lights, natural gas, and furnished, and a nice little church which seats one hundred fifty people. The property is now worth four thousand dollars. Our membership has more than doubled and we have nice crowds at services.

In the picture you see Brother Fowler with part of his Sunday School. The Lord has surely blessed the Church of God in this city of sixty thousand.—Mrs. C. L. Waldron, Box 405, Port Arthur, Texas.

We receive things by faith, but they are disbursed by love.

Reports Victory

PATE TOWN, N. C.—We are reporting victory for the Church of God in Pate Town. Since coming here Jan. 23 God has blessed in a marvelous way. Souls have been reclaimed, saved and sanctified. Many who haven't gone to church for five, even fifteen years, are coming to service. Those who fought the church are coming around the fire (from heaven) to get warm. Praise God.

At present we are in a revival with Sister Eleanor (Verrico) Lutz and her husband of Pennsylvania in charge. God is convicting men of sin. We have been called out two nights after service to pray and God came on the scene and saved. Our Sunday School has doubled and our Y. P. E. has averaged ninety-nine for the month of March, more than four times as large as when we came here. —F. Petruccelli, Rt. 2, Goldsboro, N. C.

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Enjoying Blessings of the Lord

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio.—The Lord's blessings are still with us. We have good services and the Lord meets us here at West Junction church. We have found a wonderful crowd of good people and church members to be proud of. Also, we organized a new Sunday School at Ray, Ohio, and have service there every Friday night. We have a large crowd. People are looking forward to a large Church of God at this place, also at Wellston, Ohio. We meet twice a week with good services. The Lord meets with us there.

We are in need of a revival at each place. If someone sees this and feels like coming to help us, please write me.—Preston Lewis, Rt. 2.

Contending For the Faith

F. W. LEMONS

"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." Jude 3.

IN the days of Jude, so early after Pentecost and the sweeping revival that followed, he found it necessary to exhort the Christians to "contend for the faith."

The gospel, original, pure and undiluted, had been preached by the apostles who had been tutored by the Great Teacher. The Holy Ghost had come upon them to empower them for the service of promoting the gospel and to bring to their remembrance what Jesus had taught them, which they in turn were to teach to all nations. To their tasks they eagerly set themselves when the Holy Ghost came and the gospel spread like a raging forest fire.

In spite of Satan's opposition the revival spread so that their sound went out to the uttermost parts of the earth. (Rom. 10:18.) Oppositions and persecutions utterly failed to stamp out the new faith. But Satan, determined to check the mighty revival, produced causes within the ranks of the Church destined to retard its progress, and from which the Christian world might never free itself until Jesus comes. Realizing the futility of openly combating the preaching of the valiant gospel heralds in view of the ever-present Holy Ghost, he chose a milder, more subtle method—that of "toning down" on the fundamental tenets of the Church. It was his purpose to produce a set of polished, sophisticated clergymen little concerned about the salvation of lost souls, but erudite gentlemen, dispensers of political economy and rose water theology, to take the place of the rustic old type preachers of the old-fashioned gospel, like John the Baptist, Peter and Paul, who preached "holiness and hell," and endeavored to keep the truth of the gospel before the people.

Jude, not ignorant of Satan's devices, recognized the development of this condition, while the Church was yet in its infancy. He perceived that the faith was being flouted and denied, and that such a state of affairs would crystallize so that many professors of the faith would be ignorant of the true faith. That is why many today have never heard a sermon on the new birth, holiness, baptism of the Holy Ghost, eternal punishment, and numerous other cardinal truths with which the New Testament abounds, although they have been lifetime churchgoers. Someone has denied the faith.

So across the centuries thunders the inspired exhortation of Jude, "Earnestly contend for the faith." Does someone object that the preaching of judgment, hell, fire, damnation for the God-rejecting, and salvation that saves to the uttermost is just too radical? To the objector we reply that we are contending for the faith. Observe that "to contend" is "to maintain in argument, to struggle, debate, strive." Faith that is not worth contending for is of little value, and the preacher who will not contend for the faith is indeed a liability to the cause.

"Yes," cries the vain professor, "but we are an enlightened people of culture, modern people, and we patronize the modern church. And that horrifying doctrine of hell is so exciting! Our pastor doesn't preach that. He's so cultured and genteel."

F. W. LEMONS

To be sure, there is a difference between "your preacher" and God's ambassadors. While the former, a charming, tailor-made elocutionist brings you the lore of Shakespeare to satisfy your never-dying soul, the other, often rugged in manner, is contending for the faith. Indeed his preaching often appears to be radical. It often brings tears to the eyes of sturdy listeners, and, thanks be to God, they, too, find the living faith. And while the spineless doctors of the cloth, hirelings of the enemies of the cross, are omitting the principles of the gospel because the people do not choose to hear them, those who know the call of God are resolved to "preach the Word." (2 Tim. 4:2.) Their mouths cannot be muzzled by the influence of filthy lucre. Seldom rich in silver and gold, they have the answer to your problem in the whole gospel for the whole man.

There is often grave misapprehension concerning the words of our text, relative to contending for the faith. There are those who confuse the faith here indicated with that of Hebrews 11. Cliques of disgruntled church members, dissatisfied with the preacher who has done his best for them, and with the other members of the church who bear all the burdens, because they seem so painfully lacking in spirituality, are often confidentially advising each other to contend for the faith. What they really mean, is to contend for power to perform miracles, raise the dead, and move great mountains. And it seems rather odd that they never receive that power after all their clatter about contending for the faith. Faith here actually means the body of truth which God has revealed in His Word, and which the Christians believe. It was not in the mind of Jude to exhort the people to seek God for power. That had been promised by the Lord to accompany the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. There was no reason why they should contend with God to give them that power. Jude really intended that they should contend, strive for the truth of the gospel as it had been revealed in the beginning. And if they would do that, the signs would follow (Mark 16:17) and God would bear witness to their preaching with signs and wonders. (Heb. 2:4.)

The importance of contending for the faith cannot be over-estimated. The Apostle Paul gave timely warning on this subject when the church at Corinth first became threatened with division over various preachers; when some claimed to be disciples of Paul, of Cephas, of Apollos, and, yet others, of Christ. Paul had been the first to proclaim the gospel in Corinth, and he had kept nothing back. He had declared the whole counsel of God. While he was willing to have other laborers come into the field where he had wrought in God's service, he very modestly stated that he, as a wise master builder, had "laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But LET EVERY MAN TAKE HEED HOW HE BUILDETH THEREON." He further stated, that no one could lay another foundation, which was and is Christ Jesus. Perhaps no one would attempt that, but Paul's special warning is concerning the material with which others might build upon the foundation. If they would wisely preach the truth as Paul preached it, they would be building with gold, silver and precious stones—fireproof materials. If they deviated from the plain doctrine of the common salvation, adding thereto or taking away, they would be building with per-

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Editorially Speaking

Power

I RECENTLY had the privilege of listening to a commencement sermon delivered by the eloquent Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., of Bob Jones College, in which the main topic of discussion was power. "A powerful life," said Dr. Jones, "is not the one that is left to run loose, to have its own way, to do as it chooses, and have nothing to prevent it from following its desires, but the life of power is the life which has restraint, which is disciplined, which has a channel through which the power of life must flow." And what a wonderful thought it is that in order for us to have power developed that power must be harnessed. Our government has thrown great dams across mighty rivers to restrain them, to confine them, and through that confinement and restraint, through a special discipline or channel, the water which is harnessed develops thousands of horsepower which turns the great wheels of industry and furnishes our light and provides happiness for our life.

We wonder if the same thing is not true with the Spirit which God has given us to work for Him. We may let it "flow," using it just to run over the stones or down the river bed, or may we divert it through the channels of service as is given in God's Word, for it is, after all, that there the Spirit which God has given us develops power in our lives when it is utilized according to God's Word, and thus all of His blessings must be utilized if we are to have lives of power that will count for the Master and that will bring about real results in the progress of His Church. But those who do not acknowledge discipline and do not believe in restraint and do not submit to government, shall never be able to realize the power that God has designed that we should draw from the special provisions that are provided for us through the Spirit of God and according to His Word. In unity there is power. As God's people unite in a channel of righteousness He will furnish the power and they will form a powerful influence for good.

The Greatest

A SUPERINTENDENT of education recently said, "I used to believe that the greatest thing for a student to learn in school was the literary subjects, and that first of all we must desire scholarship, but," said he, "I have decided now that scholarship takes third place, and that first of all in school we must learn health for if our bodies are frail and the bodies of our offsprings are frail, we will not enjoy life. Second," he said, "to be learned is how we might live our lives without infringing on the rights of others, that we may learn to appreciate other people," and third he placed scholarship.

We agree with Dr. Allen that there are those things that are worth more to human beings than scholarship, though scholarship has its place and occupies a very important place. Health and sanitation occupy their very important places. Our social laws and rules occupy their very important places, but first of all, and above all, we should learn of God and our relationship to Him, and it is this surely that youth needs to know for it was the wise man who said, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth," and adding to this by way of getting education, and knowledge, he said, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." So in getting wisdom through the study of books, in learning social laws that we must abide by in order not to tread upon the rights of others, and in our search for better health and sanitation, we must remember that if we seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness it will be easier to have these other things added unto our lives, and since, after all, the gospel of our Lord teaches men how to treat one another and how to live in order that we might have better health, to have first knowledge of God will be a steppingstone into the other studies that will bring, eventually, the required social and health knowledge prescribed in our school courses. We maintain that the religion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will not make men ignorant but on the other hand will help them to be brighter and better scholars.

Who Is Who

THE greatest stress to be laid upon the life of the child of God is upon those spiritual endowments that God has given him and the glory for whatever success one might have or the honor which comes to one from whatever talent he might possess, certainly all belongs to God but after all we may praise God for those among us who are so endowed that they are an adornment to the cause. One often hears over the radio the whine of the trombone in a jazz orchestra, popular squeals and squalls of a high soprano which few can really enjoy, or the hillbilly fiddle tunes to which many succumb in rhythmic, bodily contortions, but once in a while the voice of a gospel choir, quartet, trio, or duet, which wafts one from the sphere of earthly influence into realms of joy and happiness in the presence of God. These talented soldiers are to be appreciated and for them we should thank God.

It was recently that we had the privilege of listening to the LeFevre Trio with its gospel songs and spirituals. Looking on their smiling faces as they seemed to enjoy every word they sang, and being especially moved with the vibrant, golden

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SPECIAL MENTION

A Will And a Way

A report and pictures are given in this issue of the Evangel, showing the great progress of the little church at Port Arthur, Texas, from nothing to a new church building and a new parsonage in one year, and only thirteen members. This seems to verify the old saying, "Wherever there is a will there is a way."

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"As Maine Goes"

So many times in speaking of politics it has been said, "As Maine goes so goes the Nation." In the May 18 issue of the **Gospel Herald** there appears this statement: "So many towns and counties went dry in Maine since the election that over 1,000 liquor places will be compelled to go out of existence." Well, we had not heard of that but in these last days something of this nature gets very little publicity. Perhaps it would interfere with the liquor traffic in other states. Perhaps it would interfere with the liquor manufacturers. It might get a move to going that would help other states to make some such progress. But anyway, Maine is setting a fine example in the way of temperance, and it is to be hoped that the old saying relative to politics will be repeated in the line of temperance and that as Maine goes so the whole Nation will go.

NORTHWEST CAMP MEETING AND CONVENTION TO CONVENE AT MINOT, N. DAK., JUNE 29-JULY 7. EVERYONE WELCOME!

WE take great pleasure at this time in announcing this great spiritual convocation that will include many of the Northwestern states; namely, North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Minnesota, Iowa, and Western Canada.

We feel, without any doubt, that this will be one of the greatest camp meetings ever to convene in the Northwest, and it may be the last time time we will be permitted to gather for a meeting of this kind, so we urge you to put forth an effort to attend with your whole family.

We have many special features to offer you this year, in fact, we feel they are the best ever offered. We are expecting the young evangelist that God has blessed so greatly this year, Brother Thea Jones. God has blessed him with hundreds of souls in the past two years and we feel that he will be a great blessing to the people of the Northwest. Another special feature will be the presence of Brother J. L. Goins, state overseer of Iowa, and his special singer, Bruce Bachman. The presence of Brothers Ancel Newton and F. W. Lemons, pastors of two fine churches in Iowa, will be a great blessing, and both have promised to be with us at this time. And last but not least, our esteemed Assistant General Overseer, Brother R. P. Johnson, will be with us with his soul-stirring messages and loving spirit.

We promise you one of the finest musical programs ever enjoyed at any convention anywhere. There will be special singers, quartets, trios, duets, solos, a twenty-five-piece orchestra, and many other special treats.

Several state overseers will be with us and if you miss this special treat you will regret it all the year. Come and be blessed and inspired. Begin now praying for this great convention, that it will not be just another convention but one that will go down in history as the greatest ever known in these parts. Let us ask now that God will send a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

Meals can be gotten on the grounds at a very reasonable rate, also some rooms for sleeping accommodations can be had. For information write to Brother Hughes Morehead, Box 520, Minot, N. Dak., or D. C. Boatwright, camp manager and state overseer, Box 184, Lemmon, S. Dak.

Reports From the Field

Fine Building About Completed

FITZGERALD, Ga.—A new church building will soon be completed here due to the faithful service of our new pastor, Brother Solomon Scalf, of Kentucky. After several years of efforts, all of which seemed to meet with defeat, our state overseer, Earl P. Paulk, sent a man to Fitzgerald who has done the job.

Bro. Scalf took off his coat and went to work, leaving the evangelistic field at the call of Brother Paulk, who said he felt that he was the man needed. The Lord has wonderfully blessed us while he has been here, since March.

Brother Scalf has worked hard from morning until night, taking the lead with one hired carpenter and volunteered help, and now a fine new church stands in the 700th block on East Altamaha Street. The building is 40x60 and will have two prayer rooms.

We thank the Lord for His goodness, and are looking forward for a great revival here —Ralph Campbell.

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New Church

W. GASTONIA, N. C.—We praise the Lord for the way He has been blessing us here. Our Y. P. E. and Sunday School have gone over the top in offering and attendance. We've just closed an eight weeks' contest in our Y. P. E. By the help of the Lord we raised $160.00 to turn in at our home-coming Sunday, May 12. The amount of offering taken was $275.00 with the Y. P. E. offering. This goes on the new church which we are building.

Our pastor, Brother G. L. Grooms, is a good worker and shepherd. We certainly appreciate him.

Brother Collins of High Shoals has just closed a three weeks' revival. Many souls were blessed, several received the Holy Ghost and eleven united with the church. Pray that God will continue to bless us here.—Sister Marie Owens.

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Victory at Winchester, Idaho

WINCHESTER, Idaho.—We are glad to report victory at our little church and are going over the top one hundred per cent. We have a small group of faithful saints and workers here, but most of all, we thank God for our beloved pastor, Brother Leslie Keil and family. He is a faithful shepherd over his little flock and lives what he preaches. He is working very hard to beautify the ground around the little church which was purchased recently.

We have organized a Willing Workers Band. Pray that God will continue to manifest His power and blessings in our midst, and that He will give souls and add numbers to our congregation who will line up with His Word and live the life.—A member.

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ARKADELPHIA, Ala.—I am glad to report victory in my soul. Praise the Lord for His goodness to me. We are having a good meeting. We are surely glad of our good pastor, Brother Childers. He is so good to do all he can to help us in our Sunday School. Pray much for us.—Rufus Pugh.

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BEULAH, N. Dak.—We had a good revival Feb. 25-March 10, with Brother and Sister Milton Sanberg as our special speaker and singer. God blessed in a wonderful way; large crowds in attendance; twelve came for salvation, many others blessed in seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost, others refilled and drawn closer to God and four joined the church.

April 13, 14 we had our district convention. Large crowds were present at each service and God blessed. The mission service was blessed and an offering amounted to $31.32. Meals were served free in the church by the good sisters of the Beulah and Ree churches. We praise God for the many blessings He has bestowed on us here at Beulah and thank Him for the souls that have been saved.—Mrs. Ralph M. Bostrom, Box 1113.

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Mrs. Hattie Heaps of Macon, Ga. reports the church greatly built up both

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Question Box

Question: Please explain Matt. 9:16. What is meant by "No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment"? *R. D.*

Answer: The answer to this question is very plain and simple. In those days they did not have methods of preshrinking garments, hence garments were made out of new cloth. After the garments were old and had already gone through all of the shrinking that they would go through, if a new piece of cloth was placed in as a patch when the new cloth shrank it would take from or tear from the old garment. The next verse is similar. "Neither do men put new wine in old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish." They did not have glass bottles in those days but the bottles were made of skin and if new wine was put in an old skin bottle which had already been stretched and was not strong, when the new wine began to work it would burst the bottle, hence it was better to put new wine in new skin bottles that had not as yet been stretched.

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Question: Please explain to me the meaning of the 10th verse of the 10th chapter of Revelation.—*D. B.*

Answer: Since that after John had taken the little book from the angel's hand and had eaten it, he was commanded to prophesy to peoples, nations, tongues, and kings, it is evident that the book represented the vision or prophecy that God had given him. The blessings of the Lord are always sweet. The commission that He gives to us, knowing that He has spoken to us, brings a blessing but putting those things which God has told us into force many times brings bitterness. The prophecy itself is pleasant but the fulfillment brings tears of sympathy.

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Question: In the 20th chapter of St. John we find these words, "So they ran both together, and the other disciple did outrun Peter and came first to the sepulcher." Does the Bible give the name of the other disciple? If so, where?—*P. O. H.*

Answer: No, the Bible does not give the name of the other disciple. It is to be believed, however, that it was none other than John, since it is John who is relating the incident and modesty on his part, which is common in his writings, kept him from mentioning his own name. It might be remembered that he referred to himself in another place as that disciple whom Jesus loved and did not call his name.

REQUESTS

"With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God" Phil. 4:6.

PRAY FOR—

The healing of Sister Cleta Mae Childers who is very ill from ear trouble and nervousness.—A. V. Childers, Belmont, N. C.

The healing of Mrs. L. A. Taylor who is suffering severely from a fall. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. J. P. Leonard, Erlanger, N. C.

My husband to be healed of poison oak; my children to be healed of whooping cough. Anointed cloth and encouraging letters appreciated.—Mrs. Sam Mitchell, Rt. 3, c|o Paul Brady, Calhoun, Ga.

The Lord to send someone to this place to hold a revival, it is a needy place. Encouraging letters appreciated, I am young and have no Christian friends here.—Miss Virgie M. Tadlock, Day, Ark.

The healing of my body of neuritis. I thank every one who prayed for me and sent anointed cloths before.—Ethel Aldridge, Rt. 3, Alma, Ga.

The Lord to give us a real soul-stirring revival at Laurel Creek, W. Va. and move the hindering cause.—Evangelist Sallie M. Herron, Bastian, Va.

The healing of my body; I am very sick.—Emma Ratcliff, 924 24th St., Huntington, W. Va.

God to heal a sister in the Lord of what might be a cancer; unspoken request.—A sister, Lansing, Mich.

My sister, Mrs. Willie Mae Layne, Rt. 1, Whitwell, Tenn., who thinks she has T. B., to be healed. She will appreciate an anointed cloth.—Mrs. Bruce Rollins, Rt. 3, Box 22, Whitwell, Tenn.

The healing of my feet, they are causing me much grief and hindrance. It seems infection has set in and they just won't heal. Pray for this needy field.—Oscar Backman, 940 S. 22nd St., Salem, Oregon.

The healing of my mother who is blind and for five months has been in constant pain. Pray for the return of her sight and the pain to leave her body.—Mrs. Bill Blevins, Rt. 5, Maryville, Tenn.

My husband and other loved ones to be saved; me to be true.—Mrs. Ollie Benefield, Rt. 1, c|o A. Y. Garren, Alabama City, Ala.

The healing of my afflicted eye.—Mrs. J. Crews, 1610 Hood St., Waycross, Ga.

Brother S. P. Chesser to be healed of stomach trouble; the healing of my afflicted body, my husband, two sons, and daughter-in-law to be saved.—Mrs. W. C. Lewis, Brooksville, Fla.

Me to be healed of severe headaches, bad stomach, weakness and nervousness. —Frank Parsons, Toecane, N. C.

My son in the army to be saved, sancti-

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20 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

In the Evangel, copied from "Prophetic Voice."

The Restoration of Jews Has Begun

Nearly seven hundred Jews of Southern Russia sold all they had and put all their savings together to charter a steamer to take them from Odessa to Jaffa, Palestine. They raised three million rubles and though warned that the peace treaty with Turkey, still undecided, might keep them from entering the land, they nevertheless went ahead. They landed safely in Jaffa. The entire Jewish community turned out in a body to greet them. All Jewry in eastern Europe is preparing for a wholesale exodus to take possession of the promised land. This is for all students of the prophetic word a most significant sign. The end days cannot be far away, inasmuch as the Jewish people are turning homeward to face the final tribulation, and before that time begins the Lord will take His true Church to glory—our hope.

The Jewish Exodus

The Jews of Bulgaria have just established a Bulgarian Palestine Bank with capital of 10,000,000 leva, one-half for the purchase of land in Palestine, the rest for commercial purposes connected with Zion. Great numbers of university students are going from Germany. An immense exodus from Galcia Bukowina, Transylvania, and Poland is in sight. Five thousand families in Warsaw alone registered for the immigration before April 4, last.

Polish Jews Leaving

It is ascertained from reliable sources that on account of the awful persecution the Jews in Poland are compelled to bear, one million Jewish families are ready to sell their homes and emigrate to Palestine as soon as the way can be made for them.

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Editor's note: At the time of these notices, twenty years ago, little had been done toward rehabilitation of Palestine by the Jews, but their migration and the wonderful work they have done has caused the world to take notice. Just what is in store for them in the future is told in the Word of God.

Foreign Missions

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

A CALL TO GOD'S HARVEST FIELD

By Mrs. J. D. Briggs

AFTER these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come. THEREFORE said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: PRAY ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would SEND forth labourers into his harvest. Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves," Luke 10:1-3.

I want you to notice, dear reader, how God sent them out. He didn't say, "Go work two or three years and get yourself a new car and fix up for this harvest," but He appointed "other seventy also, and sent them out." Notice in the third verse He said, "Go your ways: BEHOLD, I send you forth as lambs among wolves." Just keep working, the harvest will soon be over. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! And then we will be glad we helped some precious soul to God. So many of us want to WAIT until everything is just so so, and THEN we MIGHT go. Oh, if we could only get a new vision of lost humanity.

We find here in verse 4 where He (the Lord) said, "Carry neither purse, nor scrip," which means certificate of stock, etc. Of course, I don't mean to be fanatic about things, but what I'm getting at is when God says do a thing He means do it and not put it off. We find in Matt. 6:28 where He said, "And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin." V. 33, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things SHALL be added unto you." He didn't say they might be added, but SHALL be. I know this to be true through experience, since I have sought the kingdom. He said, "Take therefore no thought for the morrow." Dear reader, if you are still planning, "When I get fixed just right I'm going to work," why not take God at His Word?

I remember just now a young man and wife whom God had sent out in His great harvest. He preached a few times and decided that he wasn't getting along so good financially, so he got a job and began to lose his vision for lost souls. His wife took sick and he lost one of the babies. But one day he decided to do as Peter and Andrew did. When Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee and saw them fishing He called them and they left all RIGHT then; they didn't begin to grumble and say, "Wait till some other convenient time," but they followed Jesus (Matt. 4:18), so did this young man, and now he has a good car and a good church to pastor, and best of all he has the VICTORY, which means everything.

We also find in V. 21 how Jesus called two other brethren and they were in a ship mending their nets. When Jesus called them they gave no excuse but followed Jesus; they even left their father in the ship mending their nets, but don't you think for a minute their father would have kept them there or even tried to. No doubt, he was glad the Christ had come and called his two sons into the harvest.

O dear reader, if you don't feel like God has called you out into this great harvest, remember our text, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest." How we need more labourers as these last days are so full of sin and wickedness. Remember, child of God, no matter whether you have been sent out to preach (maybe your call is like a brother who was at church Sunday night; he said he was not called to preach, but that he knew God had a work for him to do, so he said maybe your call was like his, "Go take the preacher," and he and his sweet wife surely believe in taking the preacher and letting him or her preach) there is a part all of God's children can play in this great harvest. So come on, young and old, let's make a great mark this year in the harvest field. We look out over the fields of cotton; we see them white; then as the workers begin to work we see with a visible eye what a mark it makes in a field of cotton. When the last row is picked how happy the farmer is. Well, the last row will soon be picked in this great harvest field. Are you going to help bring these precious souls to God? Praise God! I want to help make a glorious mark in this great field, and then we can all sing that old song, "When the Battle's Over We shall Wear a Crown."

I am very thankful for the wonderful kindness that the Lord has granted me on this gospel battlefield. The fight is on and in every conflict He gives the victory. That is enough to thank Him for. He resisteth the proud and giveth grace to the humble. Mal. 4:1 says, "For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither roots nor branch." Let us read Rev. 12:12. All this is happening in our islands today, but that gives us a waking-up because we know that the end of all things will be soon accomplished and we will be free from all our trials when our Lord comes to take us home.

On April 10 wife and I started on our journey to Blue Hills, Turk Island. After walking four miles we took the boat and accomplished the trip. When we got to Blue Hills we met Brother Frith, the pastor, Sister Susan Hall, and Sister Usula Frith. We were very glad to meet with them and they showed thereby their great appreciation to us. The saints looked encouraged and I preached that same night. Sister Rigby gave a few words of encouragement to the dear saints. We had to make our trip short. The little boat was so small that my wife had to keep cramped up. I looked in her face; she looked all right but after she got home she told me that she was in pain the whole time. I began to feel bad over that, but after the pain went joy took place of the sorrow. Saints everywhere, help us to stay and be faithful in this last day's spiritual warfare for Jesus. Our greatest determination is to stand to our post for the sake of lost souls and work until Jesus comes or sends us the final call.—A. W. Rigby, overseer of Turks Island, B. W. I.

OBITUARIES

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints," Psa. 116:15.

HULL

Little Melba Laverne Hull went to be with her little brother and Jesus April 22, 1940; age eight months and twenty-eight days.—Her mother, Mrs. C. M. Hull, Rt. 2, Lipan, Tex.

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JONES

Robert L. Jones went to be with Jesus April 24, 1940; age eighty years. The children have our sympathy.—His daughter-in-law, Mrs. Laura Jones.

LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

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An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy

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"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," **Matt. 24:32.**

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

As of May 19, 1940, The Associated Press stated that bank deposits and bank holdings had reached an all-time high in America. There was more idle money than at any previous time. This money might be called "scared money" as the holders are fearful to invest it. In other words, they are hoarding it. The Apostle James told us that they have "HEAPED TREASURES TOGETHER FOR THE LAST DAYS." When industrialists and financiers are questioned as to why they don't invest their money they answer that they are fearful. Of what are they afraid? Whom do they fear? Very possibly they don't know. However, God's people do know: "MEN'S HEARTS FAILING THEM FOR FEAR AND FOR LOOKING AFTER THOSE THINGS THAT ARE COMING UPON THE EARTH."

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The United Press on May 20 quoted part of a letter written by Bishop James Cannon of the Methodist Church, to Secretary of State Cordell Hull, wherein the Bishop urged the immediate entry of America into the war. This sounds rather strange, coming, as it does, from the lips of one who has heard the call of the Spirit (?) to preach the "gospel of peace." I would remind the Bishop that if he is really and truly a God-called minister the "weapons of his warfare are not carnal." God's people are called to fight and are abundantly supplied with weapons. Read the list in Eph. 6:13-17.

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The Asheville Times of May 24, 1940, carried the following United Press article: "Tientsin.—Four million Chinese are reported on the verge of starvation in Hopei and Shantung provinces as the result of the war and last year's disastrous floods . . . Major G. Walker, Salvation Army Officer, reported that the people were eating cotton pads from which the seeds had been removed, pea husks, water grass and millet husks. Missionaries reported that a wave of suicides has taken place with the Chinese for the most part jumping into wells. Sometimes entire families COMMITTED SUICIDE RATHER THAN STARVE. In some districts they have been gathering weeds with which to make a porridge. IN SOME PLACES THE CHINESE HAVE TAKEN SAWDUST FROM THEIR PILLOWS AND ADDED IT TO THEIR GRUEL TO MAKE IT MORE SUBSTANTIAL." These things are not quoted to make you feel bad but to remind you that JESUS SAID THESE THINGS WOULD BE TAKING PLACE AT THE TIME OF HIS SECOND COMING.

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"London, May 19.—A severe earthquake—said to have been exactly 6,000 miles away—was recorded today near Birmingham. The distance would place the quake either between Japan and the East Indies or about 400 miles off the east coast of Central America."

"Lima, Peru, May 24.—A series of violent earthquakes rocked Peru today causing a heavy toll and leaving thousands homeless. Crippled communications obscured the full extent of the disaster but reports trickling in tonight placed the dead at 249 and the injured at more than 3,000. Seventy dead were counted in Lima alone, and it was feared that additional victims were buried under debris of scores of wrecked buildings." The report stated that high-tension wires fell; buildings toppled; streets and roads became caverns; screams and cries could be heard all over a radius of several miles; children were wandering, dazedly seeking their parents. Later reports may increase the total death toll. JESUS PLACED THAT LEAF ON GOD'S FIG TREE.

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COLLIER'S FRELING FOSTER GIVES US THIS ONE: "The four hundred monks who live in the Konkaling Monastery in the Konka Risumgongba Mountains of Tibet frequently replenish their larders and relieve their monotonous periods of praying by holding up caravans and looting peaceful villages."

The June issue of SCRIBNER'S COMMENTATOR, a conservative magazine of editorial comment, had the following to say about Father Divine, known to himself and his followers as "God." Recently when a court decision was against him, Father Divine said, "I always reverse every malicious decision and I will reverse this one. If I do not when I get through there will not be many judges left." The article said he "Rides in a special $25,000 automobile, has seven secretaries, two bodyguards, daily feeds thousands lavishly and free of charge, has bought property in New York state alone valued at close to a million dollars." His latest purchase, in April of this year, was a swank twenty-room mansion in Yonkers. He owns properties in New Rochelle, White Plains, New Paltz, Manhasset, Huntington, Bayside, Oyster Bay, Inwood and Jamaica. New York City's twenty-two "Heavens" now include a one-hundred-room hotel, six apartment houses and forty private homes. He owns fifteen properties in New Jersey including a fifty-room hotel and a private beach. Philadelphia has a "Heaven" and nine extensions, plus a dozen laundries, dress shops, shoe repair shops and restaurants. Divine visits Boston regularly to check on his grocery stores, restaurants and other properties there. Detroit has a "Heaven" and half a dozen Peace grocery stores and restaurants. He owns much farm land around San Jose, Sacramento, Pasadena and Modesto, whence oranges and other fruits are sent east. He has extensions in London, England, Australia, Canada, Switzerland, Panama and the British West Indies. He claims 50,000,000 followers . . . . I have quoted at length from the SCRIBNER'S article that you might know how delusion grows, thrives and prospers. Just think, even faraway Australia, where I have yearned and longed to have our beloved Church send missionaries, has many who are followers of this man who styles himself "God." Delusions, my masters, are striding over

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N. C. Convention Convenes June 20-23 at Kannapolis

CONVENTIONS

Welch, W. Va., District Convention

The Welch district Y. P. E. and Sunday School convention which convened at Bradshaw, W. Va., April 20, 21 was a great success. Those taking part on the program were Brothers R. R. Baker, president of local Y. P. E., Ova Combs, pastor at Hartwell, Max L. Atkins, state Y. P. E. and Sunday School superintendent, representatives from various churches who reported on the Y. P. E's, H. H. Hungate, and C. R. Simmons.

We had some wonderful singing during the convention consisting of the choir, solos, duets, trios, and quartets.

The reports of the various Sunday Schools were given which were grand. We're glad to hear of the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's increasing and we want to see more souls saved in these departments.

We give God the praise and the thanksgiving for the spiritual feast.

Pray for our Y. P. E. and Sunday School at War.—Alice Kiser, War, W. Va.

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Lenoir District Convention

The Lenoir district convention convened at Hickory, N. C., April 20, 21, with our state overseer, Brother Williams, and district overseer, Brother George Lemons, in charge.

Those on the program were: Brothers E. W. Williams, Ralph Williams, J. W. Pritchard, Morris Wiggins, and Galloway, Sisters Ruth Page, Joe Johnson, Pearl M. Stark, and others.

Many good messages and speeches were enjoyed by all. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way during the convention. After Sister Stark's talk on "Missions" hearts were touched and a mission offering of $253.00 was given, for which we thank God.

A bountiful dinner was served on the ground at noon. After the reports Sunday afternoon everyone said good-bye and went to his field of labor with sacred memories of this wonderful convention and a great zeal to work till Jesus comes or calls us home.—Mrs. Joe Johnson, Jonas Ridge, N. C.

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Whitesville District Convention

The Whitesville district convention of the Church of God convened at Ferndale, Garrison, W. Va., April 19-21. The power of God fell, accompanied by the witnessing of the blessed Holy Ghost. Special singing was rendered by the choir, also solos, duets, trios and quartets. We enjoyed the presence of our state overseer, M. P. Cross, and wife, who delivered a soul-inspiring message. As Brother E. R. Noel brought a sermon on missions the missionary spirit swept the congregation and his message was followed by a mission offering of $171.00. We certainly enjoyed having H. L. Marcum, who delivered a wonderful sermon. The service, labor, love and sacrifice of our district overseer, Leonard Marcum, and wife, has been highly appreciated, and aided in making this convention the greatest and most spiritual one ever held on our district.—Helen Crossan, reporter, Whitesville, W. Va.

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District Convention Report

The Ft. Payne and Scottsboro, Ala., districts convention convened April 26-28 at Strait Creek, with Brother H. L. Chesser, our state overseer, in charge. Those taking part in the service were: Brothers T. G. Pearson, state Y. P. E. and Sunday School superintendent, J. M. Hartline, E. J. Walton, W. R. Messer, E. M. Mayfield, J. F. Wilkins, Emory Maddox, Brother Burton, W. H. Preston, H. L. Chesser, state overseer, and Sister Pearson.

A mission offering was taken amounting to $131.10. The convention closed with handshakes, good-byes and God bless you till we meet again.

We surely appreciate our good overseer. Come on, Alabama, and let us help put the program over.—W. H. Preston.

Jesup, Ga., Y. P. E. and S. S. Conv'n.

The Jesup, Ga., district Y. P. E. and Sunday School convention which convened at Piney Grove church was enjoyed by all who attended. Brother Roy Douglas, our state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent, was in charge and his message at eleven o'clock was enjoyed. —M. B. Norris, Box 335, Jesup, Ga.

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Dist. Y. P. E. and S. S. Convention

The Asheville, N. C., district Y. P. E. and Sunday School convention convened May 19 at Hendersonville, N. C. Brother J. M. Hodge, district Y. P. E. and Sunday School superintendent, presided. Almost every church was well represented. God certainly met with us. Several encouraging messages were offered in song.—N. Hollifield, Candler, N. C.

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Wichita Falls, Tex., Dist. Conv'n.

Our district convention has come and gone and a glorious convention it was. Every minister who spoke was at his best and better preaching I have never heard. The district pastor knew his job and carried on his duties wonderfully. We heard some fine messages from our district overseer, Brother Bridges, our state overseer, Brothers H. N. Scoggins, Brothers S. J. Wood, overseer of Oklahoma, Brother T. M. White, Brother Milton. We had ministers from Oklahoma and Borger, Stephenville, Graham, Vernon, Electra, Burkburnett, Henrietta and Holiday, Tex. We had fine singing and good music.

I'm told this was the best convention of ten this year. The mission offering was $83.55. All the churches on this district had their quota. Subscriptions were taken for the Evangel.—M. E. Drake, pastor, Wichita Falls, Tex.

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The Cobbtown district convention convened at Swainsboro, Ga., April 19-21. The following took a special part on the program: J. E. Davis, Earl P. Paulk, state overseer, Brother Nash, Blackville quartet, Brown trio, A. G. Carroll and Gary Jackson. A good altar service was had Friday night in which one was filled with the Holy Ghost. An orphanage offeing was taken, amounting to $5.00; the mission offering was $20.00. The convention was very good.—Mrs. J. E. Davis, Cobbtown. Ga.

The writer feels like letting the Evangel readers know how we appreciate the good brothers and sisters in the Church of God who have gotten prayers through to the throne for the Church of God at Coconut Grove, Fla. We would like for you to be here now with us. We are sure your soul would get blessed. "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Thank God for Pentecost at Coconut Grove, Fla., church. They shout, dance, and talk in tongues almost every service. Some of the members have testified to feeling more power here now than they have ever felt. We thank God for our good organization, its fellowship, its love and God's power. We want your prayers; we need your prayers.—C. W. Collins, 2937 S. W. 17th St., Miami, Fla.

State Conventions

Virginia—June 14-16.
South Carolina—June 20-23.
North Carolina—June 20-23.
Ohio—June 27-30.
Michigan—June 27-30.
Minnesota—July 2-3.
North and South Dakota—July 4-7.
Arkansas—July 5-7.
West Virginia—July 11-14.
New Mexico—July 12-14.
Oklahoma—July 19-21.
Alabama—July 25-28.
Pennsylvania—July 25-28.
Mississippi—August 1-4.
Tennessee—August 1-4.
Texas—August 5-11.
Georgia—August 15-18.
Missouri—August 22-25.
Maryland — August 15-25 (Camp meeting and convention).
Louisiana—August 15-29-September 1.
New England States—Aug. 30-Sept. 2.

REPORTS

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spiritually and financially. T. C. Franklin just closed a good revival there with some saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. The church appreciates its good pastor, Brother P. V. Perkins, and his wife.

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A report from Newberry, Fla. church tells about a wonderful day May 12 with Brothers McDowell, John Stephens and Sister D. L. Wing speaking. They had the Lord's Supper and feet washing that night. Reported by Mrs. W. T. Chance.

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SWEETWATER, Tenn. — We were transferred here a short time ago and God has set His approval on our ministry. Several have been saved, some sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, and some received into the church. We had a wonderful home-coming service on Mother's Day and much of it was due to the able ministry of Brother E. J. Boehmer, who spoke for us in the morning service and again that night. We had feet washing service also. We are having capacity crowds and the interest is good and the people mindful of their pastor. A new cook stove has been purchased for the parsonage by the L. W. W. B. We are doing some work around the church building; some are talking about a new church, which is needed here very much as this house is not large enough. Pray for us and may the Master richly bless you one and all. Our Sunday School attendance is close to two hundred; our offering for May 5 was $13.47, which we feel is real good.—Bill Cook, pastor.

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ERWIN HILL, Ga.—We had a wonderful day May 12. The North Rome trio was with us and did some wonderful singing. We also had Sister Freeman and family and Brother and Sister Sarten. Several speakers spoke about mothers. Sister Freeman brought a wonderful message Sunday night, also organized an L. W. W. B. with eighteen members.—Mrs. Myrtle Frix.

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MAGEE, Miss.—The Lord is good to us all at Shady Grove and has done wonderful things. We have a good church here with a wonderful pastor, C. H. Gardner, and wife. We also have a good Sunday School and Y. P. E. We thank God for every boy and girl who attends our Sunday School and Y. P. E.; it seems we all have a willing mind to work.—Miss Ruby Sellers, Rt. 1, Box 130.

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Gertie L. Curtis reports that a church was organized in Guntersville, Ala., Dec. 3, 1939 by Brother A. L. Burroughs, district pastor, and Brother T. D. Bolt as pastor. This year they have Brother J. B. Dooley as pastor. They have a lot and are almost ready to build. Pray for them.

KNOXVILLE, Iowa.—In September, 1939, we came here for a meeting and found a band of honest people. Just before the Assembly we organized a church with thirty-three members. God opened up a good church in town, for which we are very thankful. Our Sunday School was organized with thirty-five; now our record attendance is 180. We are planning on building a new church this summer. Pray for us in our efforts here.—Ancel Newton, pastor, 321 E. Robinson.

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UNION, Miss.—I praise my precious Redeemer for the wonderful way He blesses us here at Rocky Hill. Sunday, March 31, we had our annual home-coming day. My, the Lord surely blessed. Early in the morning the saints began to gather from all over the district. The crowd increased until the building could not contain them all.

Brothers C. H. Gardner, Julius Hammock, and W. F. Sharpe brought the messages during the day. There was shouting, dancing and talking in tongues. Dinner was served on the grounds. We could feel that sweet fellowship and unity which exists only among God's children. We raised our aged ministers' and five per cent mission quotas.

After a brief message by Brother W. F. Sharpe the drama, "A Search in Vain," was given. We thank God for the privilege of working with such consecrated and Spirit-filled people.—Mrs. W. F. Sharpe.

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We, the Shady Vale Church of God at Nine Mile, Tenn., praise the Lord for His blessings to us. Our Sunday School, Y. P. E. and L. W. W. B. are getting along nicely. We are going to be on the honor roll this year for the first time. We have a special mission offering for the state convention too. Our membership is forty. The future looks bright for us and God gets all the praise. This is my first pastorate. Pray for us.—B. S. Prescott, pastor, Pikeville, Tenn.

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We are glad for our good Church of God at Yarbrough Town, Ga., also glad to report victory through the blood of Jesus. God is blessing us and we are having a good Sunday School and are praying for a good revival in the near future. We are also glad for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister A. G. Kennington. We praise God for all the blessings He has given us. Pray for us.—Mrs. E. M. Atkins and Mrs. Annie Yarbrough.

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COCONUT GROVE, Fla.—It is wonderful what our God is doing for us. We can hardly wait for the time to assemble for the next service. Praise the Lord for a band of people with victory in their souls through Jesus' blood. We are almost one hundred per cent tithe payers. Every service is good. Talk about old time brotherly love, unity and fellow—we have it! —W. W. Forehand, clerk.

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VANNDALE, Ark.—A home-coming and fellowship meeting was held at the Sharps Chapel Church of God where Brother Evert Wright is pastor May 12, which was wonderful. The speakers for the day were Brothers Wilma Henry, W. C. Howard and Heaton. A number of good singers were present. Touching testimonies were given. Free Bibles were given to the two oldest mothers; the ladies also gave a mission offering of $12.00. An old-fashioned dinner was spread at noon with a bountiful supply for the large crowd present.—W. C. Howard, reporter.

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For six months the presence of God has been real to each heart and love and unity abide in the Easton, Maryland, Church of God. The hearty cooperation in the special drive to pay as much as possible on the mortgage on our church was wonderful. There was weeping, shouting, and praising God on the day set aside for this special drive. Even our outside friends wept with us when our dear pastor, Brother Ralph Koshewitz, gave the report and we had $300.00 to pay on the mortgage, also enough to pay off a few smaller obligations. Every one present said His presence had never been so sweet in their lives.

Our Sunday School is on the increase from about seventy to one hundred fifteen and they are still coming. Like on the day of Pentecost, the noise has gone abroad. We appreciate our pastor and wife.—Thos. L. Mullikin.

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Young People on Fire For God

WARRENTON, N. C.—I do thank and praise God for the way He is blessing here. The young people are on fire for God here at Warrenton. In prayer meeting March 27 five were saved and one sanctified.

Please, saints everywhere, pray that we will always do the Lord's will. Pray for the progress of our church. We have a good pastor in Brother E. E. Hurst and we know he is a true child of God. Pray that we will stand true till Jesus comes. —C. R. Lord, clerk.

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Home-Coming and Mission Rally

A home-coming and mission rally was held at the Marked Tree, Ark., Church of God March 31. We had present with us our state overseer, Brother Wilma Henry, also our state Y. P. E. and Sunday School superintendent, Brother Ruff Gentry, and two students just out of the Bible Training School, Brothers Rosemand and Rose, together with other good ministers. There were four states represented.

Specials were sung throughout the services and our own Friendly Four were

at their post of duty with a number of soul-stirring songs. The young people gave the short mission play, "A Call From Foreign Lands," found in the February issue of the Lighted Pathway. Our mission offering amounted to $59.28.

At noon we enjoyed a basket dinner which was spread just outside the church. The Lord blessed us with beautiful weather and it was altogether a high day in Zion. We thank the Lord for the way our church is growing and for our good pastor, Brother C. C. Rains. We covet your prayers.—Nadyne Clouse, Marked Tree, Ark.

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KANNAPOLIS, N. C.—We thought that some of you Evangel readers might be interested in what some of the B. T. S. students are doing for the Lord. Two of us, Roosevelt Miller and I, have been assisting Brother W. I. Bass of Fayetteville, N. C., in a revival at Morehead City, N. C. The Lord certainly blessed us in our efforts there. As there is no Church of God in Morehead City, the services were conducted in a mission building. Large crowds attended our services and often the building was filled to its capacity. Some of the members of the Church of God at Broad Creek, which is twelve miles from Morehead City, assisted us in our services. Brother Lewis and his father-in-law, Mr. Adams, of Broad Creek, showed their hospitality for us by keeping us in their home. We praise the Lord for them.—Dolphus Tidwell, Jr.

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PITTSBURGH, Pa.—We thank the Lord for the way He blessed us Sunday night, April 28. We were blessed to have Bishop C. F. Bright with us. He brought to us a wonderful subject. Our hearts were made glad and the church was very much encouraged to press on. Our pastor, Elder I. J. James, arrived safely April 24 from our Annual Assembly. We are glad to know he will be our pastor for another year.—Sister E. Ballad (colored), 1434 N. Franklin St.

Revival Reports

Mrs. J. A. Bird reports a revival at McBee, S. C., with Joe Flowers and Brother Parker doing the preaching. Twenty-one were saved, sixteen sanctified, and seven filled with the Holy Ghost.

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Mrs. Ben Bird reports a revival at Natchez, Miss., with Brother Dewey Bozeman and Brother Langford in charge. Eight were filled with the Holy Ghost and the entire church encouraged.

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A revival is reported at Titus, Ga., with Richard Moss and L. G. Rouse doing the preaching. James Sanders is the pastor. The revival was reported by Luther Bradshaw.

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W. D. Childers, pastor at Greenwood, S. C., reports a revival with E. M. Mortenson. Fifty were saved, thirty sanctified, and twenty-seven filled with the Holy Ghost.

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A two weeks' revival and singing school have just closed at Jenkinjones, W. Va. Rev. E. R. Clower was both preacher and teacher. The meeting and singing school were a great success. Reported by Alton McNeil.

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A great revival has just closed at Slater, S. C., the preaching done by Wroten Dunn and R. C. Muncy and singing by the Dunn trio. Reported by Mrs. R. C. Muncy.

A revival at Ravenna, Ky., is reported with ten saved, nine sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. The entire church was refreshed. Tom Newton, pastor.

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Weir, Kans., reports a revival by J. T. Campbell. There were several conversions and four were added to the church. Leon Wilson, pastor.

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St. Louis, Mo., reports great blessings in their revival. Seven were converted, five sanctified, and one filled with the Holy Ghost. There are now two churches and one mission in the city. There have been eighteen added to the church in South St. Louis where Carrie Stringer is leader, and three additions on Hunt Avenue in West St. Louis where John O. Yates is pastor.

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A revival has just closed at Baxley, Ga., with twenty-six saved, twenty-one sanctified, and fifteen baptized with the Holy Ghost. The Sunday School and Y.P.E. average above sixty. The preaching was done by Brother Boheler. J. B. Conner, pastor.

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A revival is reported at Orme, Tenn., with B. J. Pharr doing the preaching. Five were saved, one sanctified, and four baptized with the Holy Ghost. It was reported by Richard Lovant, B.T.S. student.

A meeting has just closed at Edwards Point, Tenn., with seven saved, seven sanctified, and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. Herbert Giles is pastor.

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BOYNTON, Pa.—Praise God because He is still blessing in Boynton, Pa. We just closed a three weeks' revival and believe much good was accomplished. Brother Paul Walker, our state overseer, delivered some inspiring messages the first week. Brother Daniel Hamner continued the services for two weeks. During this meeting a Catholic lady and her daughter were saved. We are expecting to start another meeting here in the near future, so pray for us.—R. E. Lear.

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SILVER POINT, Tenn.—The Church of God at Silver Point praises the Lord for the wonderful revival which we have had, Brother D. A. Hensley doing most of the preaching. Eight were saved, eleven sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost. It ran three weeks and closed with good interest.—Cordell H. Carr, pastor.

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STARKVILLE, Miss.—A four weeks' revival closed May 19 with Brother Eugene Lambert doing the preaching. Four were saved, three sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church. Pray for me and the church here.—Mrs. W. G. Moseley.

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N. Wilkesboro, N. C. reports a good revival with ten saved, thirteen sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost and sixteen added to the church. C. P. Galloway, pastor.

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ONEONTA, Ala.—We praise God for the revival just closed here with Brother Joe Lindsey of Altoona, Ala., doing the preaching. He encouraged and helped us. We want him to know we appreciated him and his good wife.

Pray that our little church will rise and shine for God. We also thank God for our humble pastor, Brother F. M. Sides.—Mrs. Howard Evans, clerk.

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Newry, S. C. reports a revival there with six saved, seven sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost and two added to the church, Brother B. H. Hatcher as evangelist. Thomas P. Johnston, pastor.

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DONNA, Tex.—We are happy to report victory for the church at Donna, Tex. About the last of February we traded our lot for a house and lot and have done well in paying for it. Our willing workers, both women and men, are really on fire for God and His cause and don't mind work. We have just closed a three weeks' revival with eight converted,

five sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and five baptized in water. There is a wonderful opportunity among the Spanish people here.—Mrs. R. O. Woodruff.

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PLANT CITY, Fla.—We just closed a two weeks' revival at Kathleen, Fla. in which the Lord really blessed. It is a small church but there were seven saved, four sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost. We had as our evangelist Brother Emanuel Kirkland of Plant City.—Brother Hollis Braswell, pastor.

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SHELL CREEK, Tenn. — We had about a three weeks' revival here. Those bringing the messages were Brother L. C. Yates, Brother Worley, pastor at Elizabethton, Sister Margaret James of Bristol, and J. M. Gosnell of Greenville, S. C. A nice crowd of young people attended and there are fine prospects for the future. One young man was reclaimed. We are having fine Sunday School every Sunday and fine young people's meeting every Sunday night. Pray for our community. —W. B. Vance.

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GREER, S. C.—The Church of God at Greer, S. C., closed a very successful meeting with Brother M. N. McPherson doing the preaching. Twenty-eight were saved, twenty-three sanctified, seventeen filled with the Holy Ghost, and seventeen added to the church. Pray for our work.—C. E. McAbee, pastor.

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ROCHESTER, Tex.—We praise the Lord for the revival here that closed May 5. The Lord sent an old time, Holy Ghost revival. Four were saved, twenty sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-four baptized in water and twenty-six added to the church. Our Sunday School, Y. P. E. and L. W. W. B. are built up. Brother and Sister Caldwell were with us and worked with untiring efforts.—Clyde D. Fitzgerald, pastor, Box 74.

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CHILHOWIE, Va.—Praise the Lord for another good revival at Chilhowie which closed May 5 with Brother Harrel Morris doing the preaching. Thirty-four were saved, seven sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and seven added to the church. Many others are looking this way. Brother Morris is one of the best in a revival I ever saw. Please pray for us here.—Oscar R. Peak.

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GAINESVILLE, Ga.—We had a wonderful three weeks' revival with Brother Frank G. Rochester of Salem, S. C. preaching. There were fifteen saved, six sanctified and five filled with the Holy Ghost.—W. H. Godwin, pastor.

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ALLEN JUNCTION, W. Va. — A glorious revival just closed here with Sister Sallie Herron of Bastian, Va., doing the preaching. There were ten saved, five sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost, five baptized, and six added to the church. Praise God for real victory.—Sister Gladys Collins, Otsego, W. Va.

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MEYERSDALE, Pa.—A great revival was held by Brother Robert Thomas. There were several reclaimed, saved, and sanctified, and the power of the Holy Ghost was prevalent in each service.—R. E. Lear, R. F. D. 2.

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FLINT, Mich.—A revival just closed, conducted by Brother Wiley W. Miller, B. T. S., in which twenty-seven were saved, thirteen sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, ten baptized in water and fourteen added to the church. Our church has progressed amazingly under the capable supervision of our pastor, Brother L. L. Turner.—Mrs. Florence Sargent, 109 W. 4th Ave.

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KNOXVILLE, Iowa.—A wonderful revival has just been conducted by Brother D. C. Boatwright. A goodly number of souls prayed through the last night of the meeting and thirty united with the church. People became better acquainted with the Church and its doctrine. We were privileged to have our state overseer, Brother J. L. Goins, with us for a few services, also Brother Bruce Bachman who rendered some special numbers.—Ancel Newton, 321 E. Robinson.

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BYINGTON, Tenn.—We have just closed an eighteen days' revival at Providence Church of God, Brother Charlie Taylor doing the preaching. Three were saved, three sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. By the help of the Lord we mean to go over the top with everything this year.—W. B. Chamberlain, pastor; Dorothy Wells, clerk.

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D. B. Myers, pastor of the Peach Creek, Tex., Church of God, reports a two weeks' revival in which there were eight saved, four sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost and one added to the church, Brother and Sister G. B. Bryne doing the preaching.

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Brother Ben L. Smith reports a successful revival at Tucapau with twenty-four saved, ten sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church; Brother L. C. Self did the preaching.

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W. Durham, N. C., Church of God had a blessed revival with twenty-nine saved, sixteen sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, ten baptized and nine added to the church, Brother Wade Starling doing the preaching. Reported by Edna McLemore, clerk.

Rev. J. A. Bixler of Bristol, Tenn., reports a grand revival with ten saved, several sanctified and five or six filled with the Holy Ghost in one week's time. There were 139 in Sunday School last Sunday and 140 in Y. P. E.

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ICARD, N. C.—I praise the Lord for the Church of God at Icard, and for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Yates. I do believe we have one among the best.

Thank the Lord for healing my baby. He was very sick. The saints prayed for him. Also Brother and Sister Yates came and prayed for him and he was healed. Thank God.

Pray for me to do the will of the Lord at all times.—Edith Stilwell.

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Alma, Ga., church reports a five weeks' revival conducted by W. O. Boheler, in which there were seventy saved, fifty-two sanctified, forty-eight filled with the Holy Ghost, fifty-two baptized and forty-nine united with the church. Reported by James W. Moore, pastor.

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Hamilton, Ohio reports a wonderful revival conducted by D. B. Yow for two weeks. Souls were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Happy Tom Brooks is continuing the revival. Reported by H. Mullins.

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Brother C. O. Carter conducted a revival for one week in Concord, N. C., in which there were about fourteen saved, eight sanctified, and four filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Maggie Davis is continuing the revival. Reported by Gilbert Poplin.

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We conducted our first revival, since we left school, in Jonesboro, Ala. We had a battle the first week as this had been branded as a "hard place," but through the earnest prayers of the faithful members and able pastor, Brother W. J. Schumaker. God gave us the victory. There were five saved, four sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost.

We are now in a great revival at Perry, Fla., where many souls are praying through to victory. We were one week late getting here but the pastor, Brother A. M. Sapp, was carrying the services on with Brother A. V. Howell of Cross City in charge. Among the many who have received the Holy Ghost was a man seventy-two years of age. Another who is worthy of notice is a man who had sought the Holy Ghost for twenty-two years and who was gloriously filled. His wife has been a minister in the Church for twenty years.

This is the third week and there have been twenty-seven saved, twenty-four sanctified and sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost.—Lula Mixon and Emma Adkins, B. T. S. students.

Reports of Divine Healing

Mrs. M. Anglin, Bogalusa, La., writes that she was deep in sin, down and out physically, and swiftly passing on to eternity, with a dreadful disease which doctors said was cancer of the stomach. She weighed only ninety pounds. But Jesus saved, sanctified, filled her with the Holy Ghost, and healed her body eleven years ago. She weighs one hundred thirty-two pounds and has the fire of heavenly love burning in her soul.

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Mrs. T. J. Foster, Rt. 2, Box 171-A, Vicksburg, Miss., is thanking the Lord for providing for them during the illness of her husband. She also thanks all who prayed for him. He can't work yet but is able to dress himself and walk about the place, and seems hopeful not only for health but for a land where there won't be any suffering. There isn't a church at or near Vicksburg so pray for these dear ones. They ask that the Rocky Hill, Oak Ridge, and Hudson Chapel saints remember them and they would be glad to hear from you.

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Mrs. Dan Merritt, Rt. 4, Elizabethton, Tenn., sent a request to the Evangel about three months ago asking for prayer for the healing of her husband's body. She writes that God touched his body and in three days he was much better and is getting along very good. Still pray that God will bless and strengthen him. She thanks those who prayed.

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Mrs. F. L. Cole, Rt. 1, Enid, Miss., praises the Lord for His wonderful healing power. She has been sick for over fourteen months, having gone through the valley of the shadow of death about five times since July 18. On September 4 she had a very serious operation, but was looking to God all the time. She is not well yet but wants the Lord's will to be done. Pray for her.

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Mrs. Laurah Pool, Wake Forest, N. C., praises the Lord for grace to trust Him with both soul and body for about eighteen or twenty years. She has been sick during that time with several different things. Last year she fell and broke her ankle and was confined to bed five weeks. Some said she would never walk again as she was old, if she didn't have a doctor. She trusted the Lord and He raised her up and made her able to walk again. She has found Him true and is not afraid of the tests. She says that every one makes her stronger for the next. She is sixty-five years old and was saved at twenty-three, sanctified at about forty-five, and filled with the Holy Ghost the year she was fifty. Her husband is seventy-two and she asks prayer that he might accept the Lord before it is too late.

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Levi McGarrity, Rt. 1, Cherry Valley, Ark., testifies to victory and divine healing power. Her little girl fell off the bed and broke her collar bone and the Lord wonderfully healed her.

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Alvis R. Cain, Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., had a request in the Evangel a few weeks ago for her healing and now she testifies that she is healed. She thanks those who prayed for her.

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L. J. Vollrath, Rt. 2, Decatur, Ga., had a request in the Evangel several weeks ago for prayer for his boy to be healed. He was the boy who was in the truck wreck when his mother was killed and his two sisters seriously hurt. The boy took the flu or pneumonia and it settled in his stomach, leaving him in a serious condition. Brother Vollrath writes that he received letters from several stating that they were praying for him and for them to hold on to God. God touched his body and he is improving every day. He still needs prayer as he has some trouble in breathing. He has the Holy Ghost and is a member of the Church of God and is trusting God. Brother Vollrath also requests prayer for some of his children, that they will live better so they can meet their mother who went on to be with Jesus. They attend church in Atlanta where Brother H. L. Whittington is pastor.

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Minnie Morrison, Box 213, Erlanger, N. C., says that about six months ago the doctor gave up hopes for her to live. She asked the saints to pray for her. She has had two goitres removed since and though in the jaws of death she still looked to the Lord and is praising Him for extending her life.

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J. H. Poland, Box 643, Trinity, Texas, says that the Lord healed him of a broken hip. Last winter he fell and hurt his back and suffered terribly but the Lord touched him and made him able to go back to work.

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Mrs. E. E. O'Neal, Bainbridge, Ga., writes that in February their eight-year-old daughter was taken very ill with pneumonia. She didn't want a doctor but wanted to trust God. They prayed and fasted for about a week and God gave the victory.

Jess Ingram, Locust Grove, Okla., says that several weeks ago he got sick. While some of the saints were visiting him he had a slight stroke. They anointed him and prayed and the Lord delivered him, but every time he got up that night he had a pain between his shoulders. The saints came again on Friday night and prayed and sang and the Lord healed him. He requests prayer that he might gain strength. Brother Ingram is a minister and pastored Moore Chapel last year.

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Evangelist Ida McGuire, Keysville, Va., testifies that she was completely healed in body a few days ago when she sent a request to the Evangel for prayer. She also expresses thanks to all who prayed for her. She has not been out on the field for two months on account of the illness of her mother but is conducting cottage prayer services. She desires prayer.

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Mrs. A. B. Chance, Pensacola, Fla., writes that she was taken ill with some kind of choking spells and could hardly get her breath at times. After nearly three weeks the Lord wonderfully healed her.

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Mrs. B. H. Meeks, 4 First St., Carrollton, Ga., says she was almost paralyzed but is not completely healed. She also thought she had a cancer. She had a mole that inflamed and had bothered her since last August, but it is well now.

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Rena Mae Griffis, 1804 6th Ave., Manatee, Fla., is praising the Lord for the Holy Ghost, for supplying her needs, and for healing her little girl of malarial fever last November.

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Sister Adrana Finley, Kenvir, Ky., is praising the Lord for marvelously healing in their home. Her daughter, Tennis Jean Francis, was very, very ill. The doctor pronounced it a bad case of pneumonia. We put our trust in God and the saints held on to Jesus. We placed the Evangel on her chest and she was immediately healed, without the aid of a physician.

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Ida Mae Malcom, Salisbury, Md., testifies to the wonderful healing power of the Lord. She stayed in the hospital nineteen days, bleeding at the nose and mouth until she could hardly breathe. She was so weak she wasn't able to take the last blood transfusion. She almost went blind. The doctors told her husband they had done all they knew to do so she decided to go home where the saints could come and pray for her. Brother and Sister Arthur Ruark and Ella Mae, of Seaford, Del., and her son and his wife, Brice and Myrtle Malcolm, were there when she started bleeding at the nose and mouth again, in a stream. They began calling on

the Lord to heal her of those hemorrhages and the Lord touched and healed her. She requests prayer for her husband and children to be saved.

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Ellerwee Springer, Rt. 2, Loretta, Tenn., is praising the Lord for His healing power for they have put Him to the test and know He can and will heal when we get in earnest. Sister Dossie Phillips' baby recently had pneumonia. Though twice it looked like the Lord was going to take him, she trusted God and the saints held on to God and His healing power came down and the child was healed.

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Mazie Waldrop, Rt. 5, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., writes that she was in bed three weeks. The first two weeks she had flu and the third week began having chills and fever. Some seemed to be worried, she said, but she called for the elders of the Church to pray for her. The saints came and prayed, Brother Byrd anointing with oil, and she began to get better.

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Isaiah I. Putnam, Rt. 3, Lincolnton, N. C., says that he was healed of an affliction which he had had from childhood. He says that he hurt so much that he didn't care if he lived or not. He couldn't work and support his family and didn't know what to do, but he took his burdens to the Lord and He healed him. He has gained in weight and is enjoying better health than when he was sixteen years old. He was healed about seven years ago, two years later receiving the Holy Ghost. After he received the Holy Ghost his eye became afflicted and pained him terribly. He went to the hospital and had the doctor look at it. He put some medicine in it which took away the hurting and redness but the sight was gone. He could not see to read. He felt that God was calling him to preach the gospel so He told the Lord that if He wanted him to preach to restore his eyesight and He did. He is a member of the Church of God at High Shoal.

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Mrs. Rufus Dunn, Rt. 1, Steeds, N. C., testifies that she was sick about two years ago and it seemed her time had come to go. Her husband called the saints in and they prayed the prayer of faith. The Lord completely healed her. She has been healed by the Lord since that time, also her daughter and baby have been healed. She says that she finds devotion in the home is one of the sweetest things you can have and recommends that those who do not have family altars erect one and see the Lord put His approval on it.

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Lois Wilder, 39 Third Ave., Judson, Greenville, S. C., is praising the Lord for His healing power. He healed her of a bad heart disease a few months ago.

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Lillie Cooper, 105 John St., Greenville, S. C., praises the Lord for healing her little girl who got her leg hurt very badly last winter.

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Sister R. D. Futch, Rt. 2, Manatee, Fla., says that the Lord is their Healer. He has healed their children and her many times. Several months ago she was suffering with her stomach and ear but she requested prayer through the Evangel and the Lord touched her body. When their little girl broke out with sores which became so thick under her neck that it was a solid raw sore, she had special prayer for her at the church and God healed her. No scars were left on her neck. The Lord healed another daughter of hookworms.

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Othee Cadle, Double Springs, Ala., says that about three weeks ago she became very sick with her side. The doctor said she had appendicitis. She suffered until she could hardly walk, ride, or sleep and says it seemed her appendix would burst. She sent a request for prayer to Piney Grove and hasn't been bothered since. Her brother, Harvey Bailey, was run over by a car and got one arm, one leg, and one hand broken, and was cut on the throat and around one eye, also in the side and nearly bled to death lying on the ground one and a half hours after being run over. He had to have one leg taken off but through prayer he's living and doing fine.

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Bessie May Rhoden, Rt. 5, Aiken, S. C., testifies that the Lord healed their baby of what she believes was pneumonia. She is still praising the Lord for divine healing and old time salvation. Her husband is pastor of the Church of God at Earl, S. C.

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Mrs. Julia Mae Herndon, Hazlehurst, Ga., writes that about a month ago two doctors pronounced her dead but four of the Church of God saints went into another room and prayed. When they finished praying the doctor sent word in that she was breathing again. God is able to heal and even raise from the dead.

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Mrs. Mollie Kirkland, Pansey, Ala., says that she was afflicted so that she knew she could not live without the help of the Lord. The doctor said he could not do any more for her. She had had that affliction about ten years but was healed and the trouble has not returned. She was saved and healed at the same time. She requests prayer for her unsaved family, also that the Lord will make a way for her to get to be in services.

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Mandy Cobb, Rt. 3, Kennett, Mo., says that God's healing power is so real to her. Her little boy had something like a cancer on his head. Every one said they never saw anything like it and suggested that she try different remedies, but she trusted God and He healed him. Some said he would never have any hair on that place but now he has plenty of hair and not even a scar. She also thanks the Lord for healing her little girl when she looked like she was dying, and for the many things she has asked Him to do.

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Mrs. Margie Pauline McConnell, Snyder, Okla., is praising God for the miraculous healing wrought in her home by the power of God. Her little boy had pneumonia and many were worried about him, but the Lord healed him and he returned to school.

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Dora Matthew, Franklin, N. C., praises the Lord for wonderfully healing her little five-year-old granddaughter when she was suffering intense pain with her ear.

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Mrs. Mary Emerson, Rt. 3, Box 390, Greensboro, N. C., says that she and her husband reared four children and they trusted God with them. Even when she was near death's door she was determined to trust. A poisonous snake bit one of their boys. A car ran over their year-old baby and bruised her badly. A bulldog chewed the other boy's arm and tore the flesh from the bone above the elbow. The oldest girl had flu and was near death's door. Many other things happened to them but they trusted God and He healed every time. Their children are now married and gone and she and her husband still trust the Lord.

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Mrs. Walter B. Baker, Box 94, Huntersville, N. C., testifies that she was healed of muscular inflammatory rheumatism when she couldn't get from one room to the other and at times couldn't dress herself. She had never heard holiness preached until last August when Brother D. H. Robinson went there but she accepted it and was saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, and healed that night. She had to be helped to the church, her feet and legs were so swollen, but her rheumatism was gone when she started home. She is sixty years old and can walk wherever she pleases.

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Robert Coleman, Rt. 1, Box 188, Seaford, Del., says that when he was seeking the Lord for salvation he became very sick with inflammatory rheumatism and all his limbs became stiff. His guardian had to carry him around on his arms and back. During this time, however, he was saved and sanctified. This lasted for several days then the Lord began to relieve him of some of the stiffness so that he could get back to seeking the Lord. His prayer for a few weeks was, "Lord, I am

determined." He was not able to work for three or four months. Many told him that some part of his body would be left drawn and stiff but when the affliction left his limbs were as useful as before, which surprised the people. He has also received the Holy Ghost since.

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Mrs. Lula Booth, Buhl, Ala., is praising the Lord for wonderfully healing her when she was very low.

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Mrs. Learline McClure, Clay City, Ky., testifies that the Lord healed her about four months ago. The doctor said she had T. B. and had put her to bed. Nearly everyone thought she would not get well. The Lord also healed her little boy of a high fever and vomiting spell.

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Mrs. Maggie Brooks, Central, S. C., says that the Lord healed her when she was in a bad condition, suffering with pains in her stomach and could hardly go. She also had high blood pressure. She read in the Evangel about a girl's healing so she wrote to Sister Ben Ellis for an anointed handkerchief. She laid the handkerchief on her stomach and was completely healed. She laid the handkerchief on her little grandchild and God healed her of a severe cough and high fever.

Contending For the Faith

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ishable materials of "wood, hay and stubble."

Hear his ungarnished warning as he continued, "Every man's work shall be manifest: for that day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved: yet so as by fire." 1 Cor. 3:10-15.

It appears, therefore, that the fires of judgment shall try the works of all who attempt to build on this foundation. Some will find cause for great rejoicing when their work shall stand the fire, and they shall be crowned. It will be because they have contended for the faith. Others, with deep sorrow, will learn at last, and alas, that their works—their flowery sermons designed to please the world—were merely stubble, or at the very best wood. These labors of a lifetime so arduously performed, that sought to please men rather than God, denying the power of God, must likewise be tried in the fire. There all that is false, all that is below the standard shall be burned. The thought of it, when rightly considered, should cause a preacher to examine himself in awe and to inquire, "Of what sort am I building? Will my labors pass this fiery judgment? Or will they be burned, after the many years I have toiled?" What a pitiful sight, what a disappointment when a preacher sees his works consumed in the fires of judgment, and he discovers that his long-sought reward is lost—because he failed to "contend for the faith."

It is said that an aged preacher who had been considered by many as a great leader, a pillar in the church, with a large salary, but who fought holiness, confessed when he faced the end, with shame and bitter sorrow, "I have not sought to exalt Jesus. I have used Him and His gospel as a means to an end and for selfish purposes."

God save us from the shame of adulterating thy truth, and grant unto us that "with boldness we may speak thy word." (Acts 4:29.)

Editorials

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tones of Sister LeFevre's voice as she took the leading part it seemed that we were wafted somewhere into the realms of blessedness. Such voices should be continuously on the air for God.

Requests

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fied and filled with the Holy Ghost and that he can come home; two other children, my brother, father and nephew to be saved; me to stand true. — Ethel Bright, Holly Ridge, La.

My throat to be healed; my little girl to be healed of nettle rash; my two brothers-in-law, sister and brother to be saved; three unspoken requests. — Mrs. Frank Davis, Troy, Tenn.

Very urgent request. — Mrs. Chas. Everly, Rt. 1, Box 235-B, Middlesboro, Ky.

The healing of my husband's body, him to get complete salvation. He will appreciate anointed cloth and letters.—Mrs. Refa (Lane) Ward, Rt. 2, Talbotton, Ga.

Our work here; some people who are interested in the Church of God.—Julia Lockett (colored), 3521 Cedar, Cleveland, Ohio.

Me to be healed of nervous spells and my body to be strengthened; two unspoken requests.—Lela Culpepper, 1822 N. T. St., Pensacola, Fla.

My unsaved family to be saved; God to help me be true to Him.—Ora Madron, Box 95, McFarland, Calif.

Unspoken request.—Thomas P. Johnston, Box 208, Easley, S. C.

The healing of my head and throat; me to get complete salvation; my husband to find the Lord; other unsaved loved ones to be saved; me to be faithful. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Gladys Burchett, Rt. 2, Calhoun, Ga.

Laboring For a New Work

PINEVILLE, Ky.—I thank the Lord for victory and the blessed Holy Ghost. The Lord put it on my heart to go to Pineville, Ky., more than six months before. I was at Jacksonville, Fla., and was blessed to come to Kentucky. I visited my cousin; the next morning, the 23rd of April, the Lord called me to a three days' fast. I began prayer meeting at nine o'clock that morning, that night when the fast was over my cousin was sanctified. The county judge gave us a place to hold meeting. Praise God. There never was a holiness meeting for the Church of God (colored) before in Pineville, Ky. The dear Lord is blessing, souls want to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Saints from Harlan, Kenvir, Evarts, Packard, and Highsplint are all helping to place a dynamite of prayer under the mountain of sin that these people may see the true light on the Church of God.

I desire the saints' prayers, that God may help us get a Church of God in Pineville. I thank Bishop Johnson and his members, Brothers J. F. Stewart, Sister Mary Dickerson and Sister Perry, for preaching and helping in the service.—Sister Mecie Brown, Carbon Hill, Ala.

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"But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." How was it in that day? "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that EVERY IMAGINATION OF THE THOUGHTS OF HIS HEART WAS ONLY EVIL CONTINUALLY." Gen. 6:5. Evil imaginations! Evil thoughts! The thoughts of men are, in large measure, devoted to destructive ideas. Notice this, please, from TIME of May 27: "The 'secret weapon' used to subdue the Eben Emael fortress north of Liege was said last week by Lieut. Col. Otto Hesse of the German General Staff, to be a flame thrower which GENERATES TWO THOUSAND DEGREES CENTIGRADE HEAT. THIS HEAT, BLASTED INTO GUN PORTS AND VENTILATORS FROM 70 YDS., MELTS GUN MUZZLES AND SEARS THEIR CREWS' LUNGS . . . . WITH IT, NAZIS CLAIM, THE FRENCH MAGINOT LINE CAN BE MELTED." Lord, have mercy! Imagine, if you can! LIVING FIRE HURTLING THROUGH THE AIR WITH AMAZING SPEED. THEIR ENEMIES WILL DEVOTE THEIR TALENTS TO INVENTING SOMETHING STILL MORE FEARSOME AND DEADLY. THE END OF THESE THINGS IS NOT IN SIGHT. ON MAY 26 GERMANY BOASTED THEY HAD STILL ANOTHER SECRET WEAPON TO LAUNCH AGAINST THEIR BRITISH ENEMIES.

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Said Adolph Hitler recently, "The war that decides the fate and destiny of Germany for the next 1,000 years has taken a decided turn." Truer than you know, Mr. Hitler. The issue of the next thousand years, however, and what it shall bring, has already been decided by the Eternal God.

REVIVALS

Goldsboro, N. C., church reports a wonderful tent revival with thirty saved, six sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost. The singing was by the Homeland Harmony trio and Goldsboro trio and the preaching by the pastor, Roland Verrico. There was large attendance and blessed radio broadcasts. Everyone is invited to stop by with them for service. Reported by Millard Boyette, clerk.

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A revival conducted by L. L. McDaniel, W. M. Branch, Raymond Layell and J. F. Jenkins was reported by Coy Farmer in which there were fifteen saved, eight sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost.

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We have just closed a revival. Eight received the Holy Ghost and four were added to the church. The spiritual tide was running high when we closed.—T. W. Godwin, Box 812, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Church Members

In churches all around,
And in this church, too,
We have members that are so bad
We don't know what to do.

We have a few members
Just as sour as a pickle.
I suppose one reason is
They never give a nickel.

We also have a tightwad,
His tithes he will not pay,
And everything we say or do
He wants it the other way.

We also have a gossiper
Who talks things all the time;
She tries to boss the whole thing
But never gives a dime.

Then we have another member—
I'm ashamed to say this—
I don't think she really knows
Where her elbow is.

There also is a fellow
Who sometimes comes to church;
No matter what you preach about,
He gets his feelings hurt.

So these foregoing members
Complain and growl and gripe;
But matters not what these do,
The Church of God is right.

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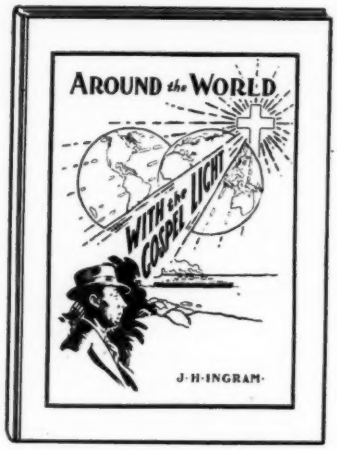

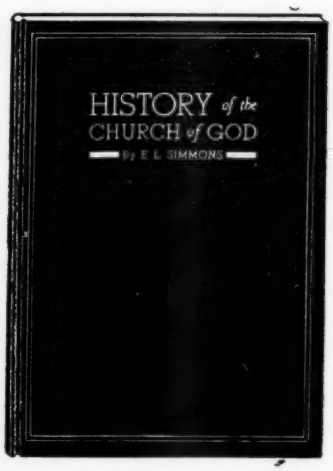

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